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1. DEPARTMENT EQUALLY CONCERNED OVER VENEZUELAN INITIATIVE TO PUT TOGETHER OAS MAJORITY IN SUPPORT RESOLUTION PERMITTING REESTABLISHMENT RELATIONS WITH CUBA. HOWEVER, ACCORDING OUR CURRENT READING, THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN SITUATION SINCE VENEZUELANS ATTEMPTED AND FAILED OBTAIN OAS MAJORITY IN WASHINGTON LAST JUNE. NINE COUNTRIES WILL PROBABLY SUPPORT VENEZUELA (PERU, CHILE, ECUADOR, ARGENTINA, BARBADOS, TRINIDAD, PANAMA, JAMAICA, MEXICO). COLOMBIAN POSITION STILL UNCERTAIN ALTHOUGH VENEZUELANS CLAIMING THEY HAVE COMMITMENT OF SUPPORT. KEY VOTE COULD BE THAT OF COSTA RICA WHICH HAS DOUBTS ABOUT JURIDICAL VALIDITY OF VENEZUELAN RESOLUTION AND CONSIDERING PROPOSAL OF ALTERNATE RESOLUTION. IT THEREFORE NOT INCLINED SUPPORT VENEZUELAN INITIATIVE AT THIS STAGE.

2. YOU MAY DRAW ON ABOVE IN FURTHER CONVERSATIONS WITH GIBSON. WE, OF COURSE, VALUE BRAZILIAN COOPERATION AND CONFIDENTIAL

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HOPE TO KEEP IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH GOB ON THIS MATTER. GOB

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3. CIRCULAR TEL WITH FURTHER DETAIL WILL FOLLOW. ROGERS

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